

**From:** [Maddox, Sherry](#)  
**To:** [Shell, Karrie-Jo](#)  
**Cc:** [Staples, Bridget](#)  
**Subject:** RE: General Permit Update  
**Date:** Tuesday, May 23, 2023 9:29:33 AM

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Ok.

**Be the BEST YOU can be in 2023!**

Thank you and enjoy a blessed day!

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**Subject:** FW: General Permit Update

Hi Sherry,

The 2023 draft NPDES permit for offshore oil and gas activities, and supporting documents, should be ready for posting to the EPA R4 website soon. The documents have already gone through EPA HQ and OMB review.

1. **2023 draft general NPDES permit for the Eastern portion of the OCS for the Gulf of Mexico**
2. **2023 Fact Sheet for the general NPDES permit for the Eastern portion of the OCS for the Gulf of Mexico**
3. **National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) draft determination**
4. **Essential Fish Habitat Assessment**
5. **Ocean Discharge Criteria Evaluation (CWA Section 403)**

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I will set up a MS call with you once I am ready for you to post.

Thanks,  
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**Cc:** Shell, Karrie-Jo <[Shell.Karrie-Jo@epa.gov](mailto:Shell.Karrie-Jo@epa.gov)>  
**Subject:** General Permit Update

Good Morning,

Just wanted to give an update for the general permit, I met with support staff late last week. Next steps, we need to upload the federal register notice and typesetting for pre signature review. Currently the EAMs system is down (see traffic below) so I will do that when it is back up. Once the pre signature review is done that's when we should alert Sherri Maddox to start working on the website so we can have the website up at the same time as the federal register posting. After the presignature review, we make any suggested edits (I am not expecting there to be any but we will see), make sure to coordinate with Sherri and resubmit to the system for final review/posting.

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**Subject:** RE: EAMs ?

You should have received this email. There is also an Announcement on the EAMS Training and User Support SharePoint site.

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**From:** Kramer, Melissa [Kramer.Melissa@epa.gov](mailto:Kramer.Melissa@epa.gov)  
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**To:** Kramer, Melissa [Kramer.Melissa@epa.gov](mailto:Kramer.Melissa@epa.gov)  
**Subject:** EAMS Outage

As of 7am 5/22/2023 EAMS is down to due to a Domain Name System error that appears to be affecting several Agency

systems.

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**Sent:** Monday, May 22, 2023 8:48 AM

**To:** Auther, Larry <[Auther.Larry@epa.gov](mailto:Auther.Larry@epa.gov)>

**Subject:** EAMs ?

Good Morning Larry,

I was wondering if the EAMs system is down? I haven't been able to log on since Friday afternoon and Im wondering if its my computer or the system. Thanks!

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